

#### Colorado Springs Commercial

# Colorado Springs Industrial Market MarketView

**YEAR END 2021** 

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#### At A Glance

	Year End 2020	Change from Previous	Year End 2021	Change from Previous
Availability	5.5%		4.9%	▼
Lease Rates PSF/YR	\$10.03	•	\$10.49	•
Net Absorption	54,906	▼	4,641,799	

#### **Market News**

- Colorado's unemployment rate fell from 5.4% to 5.1% in November, for a fifth consecutive month
- In the first 11 months of 2021, there were 4,093 single-family building permits issued, a slight 1.3% decrease from the 4,148 permits issued during the same period last year. Permits have now topped 4,000 for the second straight year — the first time since 2004 and 2005.
- The average price of single-family homes in October jumped to \$510,180, surpassing the record of \$502,961 set in June and 18% higher than the average price of \$432,477 in October 2020
- Colorado Springs is currently growing at a rate of 1.17% annually and the population has increased by 17.55% since the last census, which recorded a population of 416,427 in 2010. El Paso County's estimated population is 737,031 with a growth rate of 1.14% in the past year; the 2010 Population was 627,031 and has seen a growth of 17.54% since this time.
- The cost of living in Colorado Springs rose to its highest level on record during the third quarter. The Cost of Living Index show costs are 109% the national average. Denver, the index found, is nearly 115% the national average.

## **Overall Market - By The Numbers**



## Industrial Market Highlights

The headline for the Colorado Springs Industrial Market in 2021 was DEVELOPMENT. There has been a wave of interest in the Colorado Springs Industrial Market of tenants large and small. Mid to large-scale national tenants have been fueling this interest with other regional and national tenants following the likes of Amazon, Home Depot, Coca-Cola, and many more. Developers such as Scannell, Flywheel Capital, SunCap, Westfield and several others have heavily invested in the Colorado Springs Industrial Market putting plans into action across the City.

Nearly all speculative and build-to-suit development occurred in Class-A Industrial product exceeding 50,000 SF. While no one can deny the larger scale developments are attracting attention and fueling market interest from tenants across the region and beyond, there is a significant need for small to mid-sized multi-tenant development. Many sub-20,000 SF users are finding themselves facing low vacancy rates, increased lease rates, and heavy competition in the market. This is leaving many users to renew in-place for lack of attractive and affordable options. Many businesses are finding themselves in the sale market, primarily new build construction, at equally low vacancy rates and high sale prices.

The story of the Colorado Springs Industrial Market is not unique. In fact, nationally, most primary and secondary markets are seeing similar trends with low vacancy, increasing lease rates, increased sales, and high demand for new development. Raw materials and shipping issues continue to disrupt the pipeline in Colorado Springs and bevond.

- The retail delivery giant Amazon has become Colorado Springs' most aggressive market player. Amazon has developed/redeveloped in excess of 4.7MM SF of industrial product. Over 4MM SF delivered in 2021 alone. Amazon's local footprint is anticipated to be one of the largest in the West generating significant numbers of jobs in the Colorado Springs Market.
- Scannell's second large-scale project in Colorado Springs delivered two building distribution/warehouse facilities totaling 240,240 SF 4Q21.
- Carrier West constructed a new 50,000 SF warehouse with another 58,000 SF speculative warehouse facility at Vapor Trail delivery is anticipated 1Q2022.
- **Coca-Cola** purchased an 11+ acre site in the Powers Corridor and is currently under construction on a new 150,000 SF distribution facility more than doubling its existing footprint in the market. The beverage giant is looking to expand its footprint with the purchase of an additional 6 acres adjacent to its current development.
- Several other speculative sites are in the works including several in the Airport Sub-market seeking to backfill the needs of smaller tenants who wish to remain near their competitors and complimentary businesses.



4,641,799 SF Absorbed

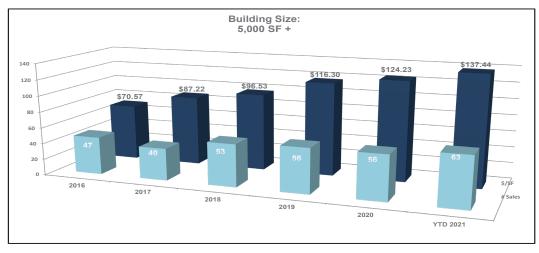


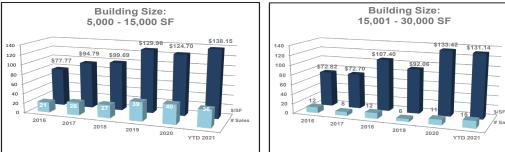
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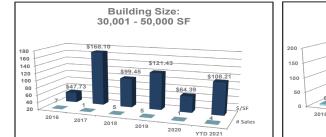


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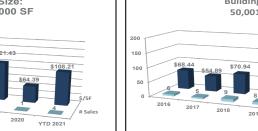
## **Industrial Sales Year End 2021**















Aerotech R&D 1915-1925 Aerotech Drive 4,747 to 13,977 SF Available \$11.50/SF/YR NNN



1110-1120 Elkton Drive 1,790 & 2,880SF Available \$9.25/SF/YR NNN





27,885

Average Price/SF Sale



63 Total Number of Sales



Adobe Court - NEW CONSTRUCTION 3372 Adobe Court 2,400 SF to 24,000 SF Available \$11.95/SF/YR NNN



Mountain Shadows Business Park 4805 N 30th Street 25,145 SF Available \$8.75/SF/YR NNN



Featured Industrial Property Listings

2225 Executive Drive 3.681-28.000 SF Available \$14.50/SF/YR NNN

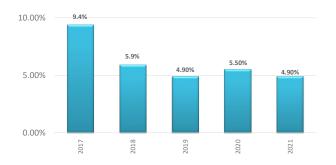


Rustic Hills North Redevelopment Now Leasing! 206,920 SF & 23 Acres Call Broker for Pricing & Lease Rates

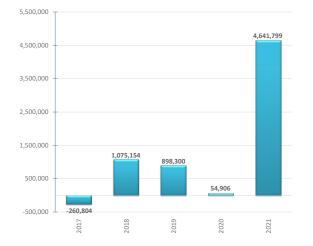
Garden Park

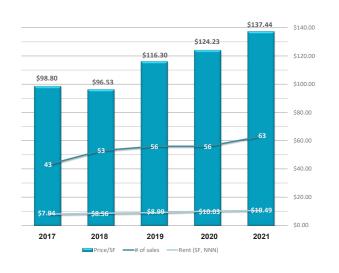












#### AVAILABILITY

The overall direct industrial vacancy rate for the Colorado Springs Industrial Market in 2021 was down to 4.9%. This is a decrease from Year End 2020's vacancy rate of 5.5%. In the past four years, the overall absorption rate has averaged 5.3%. At year's end, there was approximately, 1.5 MM SF of available industrial product in the Colorado Springs Industrial Market. However it is worth noting that approximately half of that total belongs to a single property which has remained largely vacant for several years. Of marketable properties, true vacancy rate is approximately 2.1% for the Colorado Springs Industrial Market. The lowest availability is that of properties under 10,000 SF at only 1% vacancy!

#### LEASE RATES (NNN, Annual Per RSF)

The upward pressure on lease rates has remained consistent due to low availability. The average asking rate in 2021 reached \$10.49/SF across all product types. Average asking rates for industrial products by product type in the Colorado Springs Industrial Market for 2021 were as follows: Manufacturing \$10.07/SF; Industrial Flex \$12.07/SF; and Warehouse \$10.06/SF.

Property size is also greatly affecting lease rates with properties under 20,000 SF fetching an average of \$10.67/ SF.

Lease up times are averaging 3 to 6 months for Class A Industrial product with older/less functional properties seeing lease up times of 6 month +/- on average.

## **ABSORPTION** (Absorption is defined as the net change in occupied space from one period to the next.)

The 2021 industrial market absorbed in excess of 4.6MM SF! Large scale development deliveries and national tenants in the market will undoubtedly contributed to the continued rise of absorption throughout 2021. No other market player absorbed more product than Amazon exceeding 4MM SF of product this year. Absent Amazon's contribution to the market's absorption boom, the greater market has completely rebounded from 2020's pandemic impact with approximately 800,000 SF absorbed for the year. New product is being pre-leased at breakneck speeds and existing market product is spending less than 4 months on market on average.

#### **INDUSTRIAL SALES**

#### (5,000 SF + - Number of Sales vs. Average Price Per SF)

The Colorado Springs Industrial Market's overall average sale price remains high. 2021 sale prices averaged \$137.44/ SF for 63 total sales. The majority of sales occurred in properties between 5,000 and 15,000 square feet with 57% of all sales occurring within that size range. Industrial product between 15,001 and 30,000 square foot averaged \$131.14/SF for 15 sales. Products between 30,000 and 50,000 square feet averaged \$108.21/SF among 4 sales. Sales exceeding 50,001 attracted \$160.71 /SF among 8 sales - the largest price jump among all product sizes. Currently, the market is seeing several build-to-suit projects under contract for prices exceeding \$180/SF. Supply chain issues, raw materials, and demand are expected to push those prices even higher in 2022.

### **Colorado Springs Industrial Team's Notable 2021 Transactions**



205 N ELIZABETH ST, PUEBLO NNN Investment Sale Flywheel Capital 126,882 SF \$6,175,000.00 (\$48.67/SF)



**2540 ZEPPELIN RD** Lease Lansing Building Produ

Lansing Building Products 32,760 SF 120 Months



2235 EXECUTIVE CIR NNN Value Add Sale Tweed Investments 2205-2260 Executive Circle 72,982 SF \$6,850,000 (\$93.86/SF)

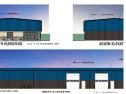


1110 BAYFIELD DR Lease GSA 124,915 SF 120 Months









\$2,400,000 (\$150.00/SF) **5045 LIST DR** Investment Sale Pierce Street Properties

**RUSTIC HILLS** 

206,920 SF

COMMERCE CENTER

Redevelopment Sale

Brennan Investments

\$7,000,000 (\$33.80/SF)

6646-6650 VINCENT DR

Owner/User Sale

Tecc Painting

16 000 SF

3.41 AC

Pierce Street Properties 30,400 SF 1.51 AC \$4,100,000 (\$134.86/SF)

CLARK PLACE United Refridgeration BTS (Under Construction) 15,000 SF 1.62 AC \$2,841,150 (\$189.41/SF)

## **Colorado Springs Industrial Team's Partial List of Clients**

Amazon American National Bank Apogee Aramark AT&T Berwick Electric Bestway Disposal BH Properties Black Label Restoration Bryan Construction Building Material Distributors Colorado Springs Gazette CW Capital Dana Kepner Empire Solar Foxworth Galbreth Gold Star Foods Goodyear

LaFarge Monmouth REI Northstar Proterra Properties Quantum Sabal Financial Safelite Salvation Army

Guggenheim Partners

Sunlight Solar Transamerica United Refrigeration United Site Service USI Venture Architecture Westfield Development WorldPac Wright Heating & Plumbing

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